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Letter dated 28 June 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to inform you of the attached letter (see annex) signed by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya on 26 June 2006.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for the present letter and its annex to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Emyr **Jones Parry**
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Annex to the letter dated 28 June 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Joint Letter on Peace and Security between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

1. Within the framework of the new relationship between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the two States reconfirm their desire and commitment to create peaceful and secure relations based upon the principles of international law and the Charter of the United Nations, and likewise express their common concern to maintain world peace and security.

2. The United Kingdom and the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, working to develop their relations on the basis of mutual respect and sovereign equality, confirm their common duty to cooperate in maintaining international peace and security and to support universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, and to bring to an end all forms of racial discrimination and all types of terrorism and violent religious extremism.

3. The United Kingdom and the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya recall their mutual commitment to refrain from organizing, assisting or participating in acts of civil strife or terrorism or acquiescing in organized activities directed towards the commission of such acts.

4. The United Kingdom and the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, recalling their joint commitment to reach a settlement of disputes by peaceful means and in a manner that does not endanger justice or international peace and security, will refrain in their international relations from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of either State, or in any other manner inconsistent with the purposes of the United Nations.

5. The United Kingdom and the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya will work to reach an early settlement of their mutual differences through dialogue and direct negotiation and peaceful and friendly means within the framework of respect for the principle of refraining from interfering in matters within the domestic jurisdiction of any State and will participate likewise to resolve international disputes in accordance with the principles and aims of international law and the Charter of the United Nations.

6. The United Kingdom and the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya recall the United Kingdom's declaration on security assurances attached to the letter dated 6 April 1995 sent by the United Kingdom Permanent Representative to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations (A/50/152-S/1995/262). That declaration reaffirms the intention of the United Kingdom to seek immediate Security Council action to provide assistance, in accordance with the Charter, to any non-nuclear weapon State party to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons that is a victim of an act of aggression or an object of a threat of aggression in which nuclear weapons are used.

7. Bearing in mind the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction 1972 and the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction 1993, the United Kingdom confirms that it would seek appropriate action by the Security Council in the event that it determines that the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya is subject to an act of aggression or threat of aggression in which chemical or biological weapons are used.

8. In the context of the aforementioned, and taking into consideration the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya's voluntary initiative to dispose of its weapons of mass destruction programmes on 19 December 2003 and so that this initiative might be an example to be emulated by other States, the United Kingdom through its membership of the United Nations Security Council will:

- Provide support, in accordance with any decision of the United Nations Security Council and the United Nations Charter or relevant conventions, to the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya in the case that it is the victim of an act of aggression or threat of aggression in which chemical or biological weapons are used;
- Work directly or through the international community to strengthen the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya's defence capabilities so as to ensure that it is able to protect its security and the safety of its national territory from all threats;
- Offer material, specialists and technical assistance necessary to enable the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to transform the programmes it renounced into peaceful programmes; and
- Arrange for this text to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

9. The United Kingdom and the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya will work together to make the Mediterranean a region of peace and security and a bridge for civilization and culture. They will promote regional security by acting, inter alia, in favour of nuclear, chemical and biological non-proliferation and disarmament through adherence to and compliance with international and regional non-proliferation regimes, arms control and disarmament agreements such as the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons; the Chemical Weapons Convention; the Biological and Toxin Weapons Convention; the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty and regional arrangements such as establishing a Middle East zone free of weapons of mass destruction, nuclear, chemical and biological, and their delivery systems. They will also urge the States of the Mediterranean to fulfil in good faith their commitments and obligations under those regimes and agreements.

The foregoing record represents the understandings reached between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya upon matters referred to therein.

Signed in duplicate at Tripoli on this 26th day of June 2006 in the English and Arabic languages, both texts having equal validity.

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of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:
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